

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF THE ARIZONA NATURAL RESOURCES REVIEW COUNCIL

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona Natural Resources Review Council and to the general public that the Council will hold a meeting open to the public:

Arizona Natural Resources Review Council

Date: June 3, 2013; 1:00-4:00pm

Location: Governor's Executive Tower
2nd Floor Conference Room
1700 W. Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

1. Call to Order- Welcome and Introductions

Chairman Larry Voyles called the meeting to order and welcomed the Council to the fourth meeting of the Natural Resources Review Council. Council members in attendance included:

AZ Department of Transportation (ADOT) – John Halikowski
AZ State Land Department (ASLD) – Vanessa Hickman
AZ Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) – Henry Darwin
AZ Department of Water Resources (ADWR) – Tom Buschatzke for Sandy Fabritz-Whitney
AZ State Forester (ASF) – Scott Hunt
AZ Geological Survey (AGS) – Lee Allison
AZ State Parks (ASP) – Bryan Martin
AZ Department of Agriculture (ADA) – Don Butler

Staff Present in Support of the Council:

Governor's Office – Kevin Kinsall and Jill Hall
AGFD – Bob Broscheid, Tim Wade, and Jacob Gidney
ASLD – Kim Morey, Ryan Johnson, and Bill Boyd
ASP- Jay Ream

2. Review Agenda

No requests for changes to the agenda were identified by the Council.

3. Council Review and Update on Draft Subcommittee Work Plans

Chairman Larry Voyles reviewed the purpose behind the creation of the subcommittees as a result of Governor Brewer's Executive Order.

a) Geographic Information System Subcommittee (SC)

Director Allison spoke to the draft survey that the SC circulated among the agencies to gauge technological expertise. The SC plans on reviewing the final results at their next meeting. The SC is also evaluating the Presidential Executive Order regarding sharing of open source data. In addition, the SC has been looking at other states for models of intuitive (Geographic Information Systems (GIS) integration, as well as working with the Arizona Geographic Information Council. Another resource for data is the Department of Defense's Western Regional Partnership effort as they are bringing in 10,000 GIS layers together through a clearinghouse system. Director Allison emphasized that Arizona can be a leader in GIS, thus making the State of Arizona the technology center of the United States.

b) Planning Subcommittee

Co-Chair Director Hunt indicated that the SC is missing a few points of contact among the agencies. So far he has confirmed ADEQ, ADWR, and AGFD. The SC is trying to develop a coordinated review and response plan for federal projects to the Council. They will have an update at the June 25th meeting and a full report at the July meeting. Although Larry commented that the contacts were supposed to be done by May 29th, Director Hunt reaffirmed that they will get back on track with a full report prepared in July.

c) Clearinghouse Development Subcommittee

Bob Broscheid briefly reviewed the details of the last two SC meetings. They have selected to analyze a few states (Nevada, Florida, and Arkansas) with clearinghouse systems in place. None of the three have a perfect model; however, there are parts of each ones that will serve in the model. The SC has also decided to split into two groups; the first looking at the technical requirements (hardware, software, etc.) for the system in cooperation with the Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting in the Governor's Office. The other effort is identifying the legal agreement mechanism that will have to be entered into with the federal government. The SC will prepare a report for the June 25th meeting and a full plan in August. Director Allison asked for a meeting between the GIS SC and the Clearinghouse SC in order to assist both of their goals.

d) Mitigation and Conservation Banking Subcommittee

Co-Chair Tim Wade reviewed the details of the last SC meeting. They have decided to create a Mitigation Banking 101 PowerPoint Presentation for their next meeting in order to clear up any confusion as to how these programs apply to the Executive Order. At first, the SC was struggling to create a new program. However, they have realized that all they need to do is prepare recommendations. They are working on the recommendations to provide adequate direction as to the purpose of the SC. Tim Wade got clarification from Chairman Voyles as to whether or not there should be any new rules or statutes created. Chairman Voyles emphasized that there should be now new regulatory overlays but there may need to be some change of stature for the initial stand-up of the SC

4. Continued Discussion of an NRRC Outreach Subcommittee & Strategy

There was a roundtable discussion as to whether or not there needed to be an SC created that's purpose was to strategize and identify stakeholder groups that the Council can reach out to on what the NRRC is trying to achieve. Chairman Voyles stated he felt uncomfortable with the outreach strategy being a one-man effort. Director Bryan Martin felt that when each agency went out and spoke about the NRRC that it appeared as the agenda of a single agency as opposed to a statewide agenda. He suggested the creation of a proposal as well as a designated government spokesperson. Director John Halikowski felt that would be premature, but perhaps a creation of an SC made up of public affairs experts would be a better option. Both Director Vanessa Hickman and Director Scott Hunt voiced their support. Chairman Voyles agreed and created the Special Engagement and Partnering Subcommittee with Bob Broscheid leading the efforts.

5. Call to the Public

Tom Mulan of the Sonoran Desert National Monument Group thanked Bran Martin for his recognition of the importance of activists in relation to the NRRC.

6. Wrap-Up and Review Action Items

The following action items and future agenda items were identified from the June 3, 2013 meeting:

1. The Clearinghouse SC and the GIS SC will meet to discuss how they can work together. **(Bob Broscheid and Lee Allison)**

2. The Special Engagement and Partnering Subcommittee will be created. An email request for agency points of contact will be sent out immediately. **(Bob Broscheid)**
3. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM: The Clearinghouse SC will have a presentation at the June 25th meeting. **(Bob Broscheid)**
4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM: Discussion of Game and Fish and Mitigation Banking Programs **(Tim Wade and Kim Morey)**
5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM: Presentation by the AZ Heritage Alliance. **(Janice Miano)**

7. Adjourn

The Council adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:00pm.

Future Council Meeting Dates: (All meetings times are scheduled from 1:00-4:00pm)

June 25, 2013

Governor's Executive Tower
2nd Floor Conference Room
1700 West Washington Street
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July 16, 2013

Governor's Executive Tower
2nd Floor Conference Room
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August 12, 2013

Governor's Executive Tower
2nd Floor Conference Room
1700 West Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

September 30, 2013

Governor's Executive Tower
2nd Floor Conference Room
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October 21, 2013

Governor's Executive Tower
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